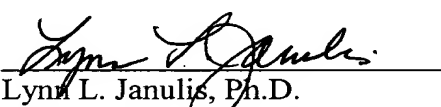




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This paper is filed in response to a non-final Office Action dated November 12, 2004 (hereinafter, the "Office Action") by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-referenced application. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification: none.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.